

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
**ON OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY'S**  
**AIR QUALITY PERMITS**

A public hearing will be held in the Community Room, Milbank Visitors Center, 1001 East 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Milbank South Dakota on July 17, 2008, at 9:00 a.m. central daylight time to consider public comment on the pending air quality permit applications for Otter Tail Power Company's Big Stone I facility and Otter Tail Power Company's proposed Big Stone II project.

Otter Tail Power Company owns and operates a coal fired power plant near Big Stone City, South Dakota. Otter Tail Power Company submitted a Prevention of Significant Deterioration permit application to install a maximum 600 megawatt net output base load super critical pulverized coal fired power plant and a Title V permit renewal application for its existing operation. The South Dakota Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) issued its final proposed permit decision in April 2008. A contested case hearing before the Board of Minerals and Environment was requested by Otter Tail Power Company, the Sierra Club, and Clean Water Action. This contested case hearing is scheduled to begin on August 18, 2008 in Pierre, S.D. Only the established parties will be heard at the contested case hearing.

Persons who are not parties to the contested case proceeding may present comments regarding the permit applications and the proposed permits by appearing in person or by submitting written comments at the public hearing in Milbank on July 17, 2008.

Notice is further given to individuals with disabilities that this hearing is being held in a physically accessible place. Please notify DENR at least 48 hours before the public hearing if you have special needs for which special arrangements must be made. The telephone number for making special arrangements is (605) 773-3151.



Steven M Pirner, Secretary  
Department of Environment and Natural Resources